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IMPACT OF TSUNAMI IN THE EVENT OF DESTRUCTION OF RAM SETHU
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some scientists have expressed their views on the possible impact of Tsunami in the event of the destruction of Ram Sethu;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (c): Decision to implement the Sethusamudram Ship Channel Project was taken by the Government in May, 2005 after taking into consideration all relevant factors including the environmental aspects and after obtaining the necessary environmental clearance. The Monitoring Committee on the Environmental Impact Issues of Sethusamudram Ship Channel Project constituted by the Government assesses and advises the project authorities on the impact on environment.